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FOR RICHARDSON FROM SULLIVAN

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SUBJECT: RAUL MANGLAPUS NOMINATION FOR A WILSON
CENTER FELLOWSHIP

REF: STATE 100074

1. IN REVIEWING YOUR RECOMMENDATION TO THE SECRETARY ON CASE RAUL MANGLAPUS, I NOTE THAT YOU OMIT ANY REFERENCE TO THE CANDIDATE'S ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS. THE REASON MANGLAPUS IS BEING PUSHED BY HIS POLITICAL FRIENDS FOR A WOODROW WILSON FELLOWSHIP IS THAT HE IS BEING DUMPED BY CORNELL, WHICH HAD PREVIOUSLY GIVEN HIM ACADEMIC SHELTER. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT HE HAS DONE NO RPT NO MERITORIOUS ACADEMIC WORK AT CORNELL AND THAT, WHEN HE IS NOT POLITICKING, HE IS WRITING A MUSICAL COMEDY.

2. BASED ON THIS SITUATION, I WOULD STRONGLY PROPOSE THAT SECRETARY ADOPT OPTION 4 IN YOUR LIST OF OPTIONS: I.E., CAST A NEGATIVE VOTE AND URGE OTHER TRUSTEES TO DO SAME PURELY ON MERITS OF CASE. TO GIVE A WILSON FELLOWSHIP TO A NON-SCHOLAR AS A SIMPLE SINECURE WHICH HE CAN THEN USE AS A VANTAGE POINT TO ATTACK THE POLICIES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WOULD BE A TOTAL DISSERVICE TO THE PURPOSES OF THE WOODROW WILSON CENTER. TO USE DR. BILLINGTON'S RATHER PRECIOUS PHRASE, IT WOULD BE AN "INSTITUTIONAL DISASTER."

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3. IN SHORT, MANGLAPUS HAS NO RPT NO QUALIFICATIONS FOR
A FELLOWSHIP EXCEPT FOR THE SYMPATHY AND COLLUSION OF A
SMALL GROUP OF PSUEDO-INTELLECTUALS WHO ARE WILLING TO
PERVERT THE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM IN THEIR ZEAL TO ATTACK
U.S. POLICY. THE TRUSTEES LISTED IN YOUR CABLE SEEM TO
ME TO BE MEN WHO WOULD BE AMENABLE TO PERSUASION ON THIS
POINT.

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